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Laredo, Tex., December 18, 1901—Inspection service.—I have the honor to submit the following inspection report for week ended December 14, 1901: Number of passenger trains from Mexico inspected, 14; persons on passenger trains from Mexico inspected, 527; immigrants inspected, 25; immigrants vaccinated upon entry, 8; Pullman Company soiled linen from Mexico disinfected, 4,933 pieces.

Laredo, Tex., December 22, 1901 — Inspection service. — I have the honor to submit following inspection report for week ended December 21, 1901: Number of passenger trains entering from Mexico inspected, 14; persons on passenger trains from Mexico inspected, 580; immigrants inspected, 22; immigrants vaccinated, 11. Thirty-eight blankets and 5,238 pieces soiled linen of Pullman Company disinfected.

H. J. HAMILTON, Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Report of immigrants inspected at the port of San Francisco Quarantine Station, Angel Island, Cal., during the month of November, 1901.

Total number of immigrants inspected, 645; number passed, 644; number certified for deportation on account of dangerous contagious or loathsome diseases, or for other physical causes, 1.

D. A. CARMICHAEL, Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Report of immigrants inspected at the port of Boston, Mass., during the month of November, 1901.

Total number of immigrants inspected, 2,062; number passed, 2,059; number certified for deportation on account of dangerous contagious or loathsome diseases, or for other physical causes, 3.

FAIRFAX IRWIN, Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Report of immigrants inspected at the port of New York, N. Y., during the month of November, 1901.

Total number of immigrants inspected, 39,899; number passed, 39,631; number certified for deportation on account of dangerous contagious or loathsome diseases, or for other physical causes, 268.

GEO. W. STONER, Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Correction of November report of inspection of immigrants at Columbia River Quarantine.

> COLUMBIA RIVER QUARANTINE STATION, Astoria, Oreg., December 17, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a report of the inspection of immigrants at this station during the month of November, 1901, and to request that it be substituted for the one already submitted for that month, which was incorrect.

There were 15 Chinese male passengers on board the British steamship *Indrapura*, which arrived on the 19th ultimo from Hongkong, China, and I was misinformed by the master of the vessel and also by the customs inspector on board that only 5 of these were for points in the United States, the others being in transit for points in British Colum-

bia and Mexico. Nevertheless, all 15 were carefully examined and found to be in good health.

Since sending in the first report I find that 9 were for points in the United States, instead of 5, as was then reported. Of the 15, 4 were for Astoria, Oreg.; 3 for Portland, Oreg.; 2 for Dan Diego, Cal.; 2 for Vancouver, British Columbia, and 4 for Mapomi, Mexico.

Respectfully,

BAYLIS H. EARLE, Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Statistical reports of States and cities of the United States—Yearly and monthly.

CONNECTICUT—Bridgeport.—Month of November, 1901. Estimated population, 71,000. Total number of deaths, 101, including enteric fever, 2; scarlet fever, 3; whooping cough, 1, and 15 from tuberculosis. New Haven.—Month of September, 1901. Estimated population, 108,000. Total number of deaths, 156, including diphtheria, 3; enteric fever, 4; whooping cough, 7, and 16 from phthisis pulmonalis.

Month of October, 1901. Total number of deaths, 134, including diphtheria, 3; enteric fever, 7; whooping cough, 2, and 13 from phthisis pulmonolis.

Month of November, 1901. Total number of deaths, 148, including diptheria, 4; enteric fever, 5; whooping cough, 3, and 22 from phthisis pulmonalis.

MICHIGAN.—Reports to the State board of health, Lansing, for the week ended December 21, 1901, from 55 observers indicate that inflammation of bowels and erysipelas were more prevalent and diarrhea, intermittent fever, remittent fever, inflammation of kidney, pleuritis, pneumonia, and tonsillitis were less prevalent than in the preceding week. Cerebro-spinal meningitis was reported present at 3, whooping cough at 15, measles at 22, diphtheria at 39, enteric fever at 59, small-pox at 72, scarlet fever at 97, and phthisis pulmonalis at 197 places.

The Monthly Bulletin of Vital Statistics says:

There were 2,454 deaths returned for the month of November, corresponding to a death rate of 12.5 per 1,000 population. This number is 94 less than the number returned for the preceding month and 7 less than the number of deaths recorded for November, 1900.

This total includes 30 deaths that resulted from the explosion in the Penberthy Injector Works of Detroit, and does not include but 6 of the deaths (variously estimated from 22 to 75 and upward) that occurred at the collision on the Wabash railroad near Seneca on November 27. Most of the deaths that occurred there were those of recent immigrants, Italians and Austrians passing through this State from the east to various localities in the west, and, as they were not actually a part of the population of Michigan, the omission of the mortality from this source will not seriously affect the death rate for the month, as compared with preceding months of registration.

It is necessary and desirable, of course, that all these deaths should be finally recorded as far as possible, and steps have been taken to accomplish this object.

Of the total number of deaths returned to the department, 346 were infants under 1 year of age, 177 were children aged 1 to 4 years, both inclusive, and 659 were deaths of persons aged 65 years and over.